

Amendments to the Claims

Applicants have amended claims as shown below:

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*1.* **(Previously presented)** A computer-based interface for facilitating rebate processing, the interface operable to:

receive authorization of a rebate request;  
display rebate information retrieved from a remote rebate processing center, the rebate information comprising at least two disbursement options, a first one of the disbursement options having a first cash value to a recipient and a second one of the disbursement options having a second cash value to a recipient, the first cash value different than the second cash value; and

receive a selection of the disbursement options.

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2. **(Original)** The computer-based interface of Claim 1, further operable to:  
display a plurality of product identifiers, wherein each of the product identifiers is associated with a product bearing a rebate;

receive purchase information from a user, wherein the purchase information identifies a purchased product associated with a selected one of the product identifiers; and  
wherein the disbursement options are determined based on the purchase information.

3. **(Original)** The computer-based interface of Claim 2, further operable to:  
receive a search string; and  
display the product identifiers responsive to the search string.

4. **(Original)** The computer-based interface of Claim 1, wherein the rebate request comprises a request for a rebate on a purchased product, and the disbursement options comprise a plurality of products related to the purchased product available to purchase using a rebate credit.

5. **(Original)** The computer-based interface of Claim 1, further operable to display status information, wherein the status information comprises a current status of a rebate transaction.

6. **(Original)** The computer-based interface of Claim 1, further operable to:  
display a plurality of products available to purchase using a credit associated with a selected one of the disbursement options;  
receive purchase selections from the plurality of products; and  
display a total price of the purchase selections.

7. **(Original)** The computer-based interface of Claim 6, further operable to receive credit card information from the user if the total price exceeds the credit.

8. **(Original)** The computer-based interface of Claim 1, wherein the interface comprises a site browser and further operable to display an additional site for purchasing products using a credit associated with a selected one of the disbursement options.

9. **(Original)** The computer-based interface of Claim 1, wherein the disbursement options comprise a cash rebate and a credit voucher.

10. **(Original)** The computer-based interface of Claim 1, wherein the credit voucher comprises a selected one of a retailer gift certificate, a manufacturer credit voucher, and a credit valid for an Internet purchase.

11. **(Previously presented)** A method for processing a rebate, comprising:  
receiving authorization of a rebate request;  
displaying rebate information retrieved from a remote rebate processing center, the rebate information comprising at least two disbursement options, a first one of the disbursement options having a first cash value to a recipient and a second one of the disbursement options having a second cash value to a recipient, the first cash value different than the second cash value; and  
receiving a selection of the disbursement options.

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12. **(Original)** The method of Claim 11, further comprising:  
displaying a plurality of product identifiers, wherein each of the product identifiers is associated with a product bearing a rebate;  
receiving purchase information from a user, wherein the purchase information identifies a purchased product associated with a selected one of the product identifiers; and  
receiving consumer information from the user; and  
communicating the consumer information to the remote rebate processing center to initiate the rebate request.

13. **(Original)** The method of Claim 12, further comprising:  
receiving a search string; and  
displaying the product identifiers responsive to the search string.

14. **(Original)** The method of Claim 11, wherein the rebate request comprises a request for a rebate on a purchased product, and the disbursement options comprise a plurality of products related to the purchased product available to purchase using a rebate credit.

15. **(Original)** The method of Claim 11, further comprising displaying status information, wherein the status information comprises a current status of a rebate transaction.

16. **(Original)** The method of Claim 11, further comprising:  
displaying a plurality of products available to purchase using a credit associated with  
a selected one of the disbursement options;  
receiving purchase selections from the plurality of products; and  
displaying a total price of the purchase selections.

17. **(Original)** The method of Claim 16, further comprising receiving credit card  
information from the user if the total price exceeds the credit.

18. **(Original)** The method of Claim 11, further comprising linking to a site for  
purchasing products using a credit associated with a selected one of the disbursement options.

19. **(Original)** The method of Claim 11, wherein the disbursement options  
comprise a cash rebate and a credit voucher.

20. **(Original)** The method of Claim 11, wherein the credit voucher comprises a  
selected one of a retailer gift certificate, a manufacturer credit voucher, and a credit valid for  
an Internet purchase.

21. **(Previously presented)** A rebate processor, comprising:  
a memory operable to store a promotion comprising at least two disbursement  
options, a first one of the disbursement options having a first cash value to a recipient and a  
second one of the disbursement options having a second cash value to a recipient, the first  
cash value different than the second cash value; and

a processor, operable to:

receive a rebate request;  
match the rebate request to the promotion;  
communicate an authorization of the rebate request, wherein the authorization  
comprises the disbursement options; and  
receive a selection of the disbursement options.

22. **(Original)** The rebate processor of Claim 21, wherein:  
the promotion further comprises a first promotion identifier;  
the rebate request comprises a second promotion identifier; and  
the processor is further operable to match the rebate request to the promotion based on  
a comparison of the first promotion identifier and the second promotion identifier.

23. **(Original)** The rebate processor of Claim 21, wherein the processor is further  
operable to:  
receive purchase information from a consumer; and  
identify the promotion based on the purchase information.

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24. **(Original)** The rebate processor of Claim 21, wherein the rebate request  
comprises a request for a rebate on a purchased product, and the disbursement options  
comprise a plurality of products related to the purchased product available to purchase using  
a rebate credit.

25. **(Original)** The rebate processor of Claim 21, wherein the memory is further  
operable to store status information, wherein status information comprises a current status of  
the rebate request.

26. **(Original)** The rebate processor of Claim 21, wherein the processor is further  
operable to:  
communicate a product list, wherein the product list comprises a plurality of products  
available to purchase using a credit associated with a selected one of the disbursement  
options;  
receive purchase selections from the product list; and  
display a total price of the purchase selections.

27. **(Original)** The rebate processor of Claim 26, wherein the processor is further  
operable to receive credit card information from the user if the total price exceeds the credit.

28. **(Original)** The rebate processor of Claim 21, wherein the processor is further operable to communicate a location of a site for purchasing products using a credit associated with a selected one of the disbursement options.

29. **(Original)** The rebate processor of Claim 21, wherein the disbursement options comprise a cash rebate and a credit voucher.

30. **(Original)** The rebate processor of Claim 21, wherein the credit voucher comprises a selected one of a retailer gift certificate, a manufacturer credit voucher, and a credit valid for an Internet purchase.

31. **(Previously presented)** A method for processing a rebate, comprising:  
receiving purchase information identifying a product bearing a rebate;  
communicating the purchase information to a remote rebate processing center;  
receiving rebate information describing the rebate from the remote rebate processing center, the rebate information comprising at least two disbursement options, a first one of the disbursement options having a first cash value to a recipient and a second one of the disbursement options having a second cash value to a recipient, the first cash value different than the second cash value; and  
displaying the rebate information.

32. **(Original)** The method of Claim 31, further comprising:  
receiving consumer information from the user; and  
communicating the consumer information to the remote rebate processing center to initiate a rebate request.

33. **(Original)** The method of Claim 31, wherein the disbursement options comprise a list of products available to purchase using a rebate credit, wherein the list is determined based on the purchase information.

34. **(Original)** The method of Claim 31, further comprising:  
displaying a plurality of products available to purchase using a credit associated with  
a selected one of the disbursement options;  
receiving purchase selections from the plurality of products; and  
displaying a total price of the purchase selections.

35. **(Original)** The method of Claim 34, further comprising receiving credit card  
information from the user if the total price exceeds the credit.

36. **(Original)** The method of Claim 31, further comprising linking to a site for  
purchasing products using a credit associated with a selected one of the disbursement options.

37. **(Original)** The method of Claim 31, wherein the disbursement options  
comprise a cash rebate and a credit voucher.

38. **(Original)** The method of Claim 31, wherein the credit voucher comprises a  
selected one of a retailer gift certificate, a manufacturer credit voucher, and a credit valid for  
an Internet purchase.